POSITIONS AND AREAS OF SUN SPOTS

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Date	Eastern stand-	Heliographie			Area		Total area	
	ard time	Diff. in longitude	Longi- tude	Lati- tude	Spot	Group	for each day	Observatory
1933 Jan. 1	13 58 11 12 11 18 11 26 11 18 10 51 11 18 10 51 11 2 0 11 50 12 45 12 25 11 27 11 35 11 44 12 56 11 25 11 35 11 45 11 55	No spots +4.0 +73.0 No spots	147. 4 148. 4 149. 7 149. 5 151. 1	+5.0 +8.0 +4.0 +4.5 +4.5		16 29 42 48 69	16 29 42 48 69 69	U.S. Naval. Do.
Jan. 25 Jan. 26 Jan. 27 Jan. 28 Jan. 29 Jan. 30 Jan. 31 Mean dally area for January	11 30 13 56 11 46 13 1 11 20 11 26 11 21	No spots No spots No spots No spots No spots -47.0 -34.0	220. 2	+30. 0 +30. 0			39 39	Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.

PROVISIONAL SUN-SPOT RELATIVE NUMBERS FOR JANUARY 1934

(Dependent alone on observations at Zurich and its station at Arosa)

[Data furnished through the courtesy of Prof. W. Brunner, Eidgen. Sternwarte,
Zurich, Switzerland]

January 1934	Relative numbers	January 1934	Relative numbers	January 1934	Relative numbers
1	0	11	0 Mc 8	21 22 23	0
3 4 5	0	13 14 15	11 12 13	24 25	0
6 7 8	0 0 0	16 17 18 19	11	26 27 28 29	0 0 0 <i>Ec</i> 8
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Mean: 24 days=3.1.

c =New formation of a center of activity; E, on the eastern part of the sun's disk; W, on the western part; M, in the central zone.

AEROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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Free-air temperatures for January, as shown in table 1, averaged above normal at all stations except Boston and Pensacola. Departures of considerable magnitude occurred at Omaha, and Pembina. Relative humidity departures for the month were of opposite sign to those for temperature except at Cleveland, Dallas, and Omaha, where the departures were positive for both of these elements.

In most cases the resultant free-air wind directions for the month did not differ appreciably from the normals (table 2). Moderate excesses in the resultant velocities were general at the northern stations but elsewhere no consistent variations from the normals occurred.

During January, the International month for 1934, 46 sounding balloons were released from the Omaha Airport Station. To date 33 of the meteorographs carried by these balloons have been returned.